

May 1, 2008

Meeting began at 8:05 p.m.

Present: Bill Muse, Mayor; Wendell Roundy, Gladys LeFevre, Dennis Bertucci, Councilmembers; Peg Smith and Sergio Femenias, Tom Jerome, Daniel Reeder, Ray Gardner, Ashley Coombs, Mark Nelson, Tim Clarke.

Pledge of allegiance

Gladys made a motion to approve the minutes of April 3 as presented. Wendell seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Tom Jerome discussed park issues:

1) He has contacted South Central Communications about the unused pole at the northwest corner of the tract property. They don't seem to be interested in removing it. He will see if they will give us permission to take it down. (Bob and Naomi Brems came.)

2) On May 22 Garkane Energy personnel will be here to re-establish an underground line to the firehouse. He would like to put an underground line to the town hall at the same time. The Town Council has no objection. He will need to move the slide structure, as it is in line of the trench.

3) There is a tentative plan to put a foot bridge over the canal on the south side of C Street at the top of the tract property. A drawing was presented.

4) The Park Committee has sent letters requesting donations for trees. They don't have money but need to order trees next week and would like to borrow \$2500 for trees, cattle panel fencing, metal posts and irrigation supplies. Gladys made a motion we disburse \$2500 to the Park Committee to purchase trees, with the money being returned for other park projects when donations are received. Dennis seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Walt announced that the Dixie National Forest Supervisor will be making a presentation at the Escalante Interagency Office on May 21 at 6:30 to talk about his vision of the future of the forest. There was a brief discussion on Trails Committee business.

Gladys made a motion we extend the Friends of the Library's custodian contract for a year. Dennis seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Because of schedule conflicts, the regular June meeting will be changed to Tuesday, June 10 and will include the budget adoption. The budget public hearing will be held the same evening beginning at 7:30, with the meeting following at 8:00.

The Council was reminded of the public hearings for the amended zoning and subdivision ordinances a week from today beginning at 6:00. The CDBG grant for which we applied in December for the acquisition of a new fire truck was not awarded; however, Five Counties is willing to help us apply for a grant through the PCIFB program. We need to hold a public hearing and will schedule it for the same evening at 5:45.

The 4th of July celebration was discussed. The Friends of the Library have volunteered to clean up after. Bill will see if Eric can put together a group that can play dance/Country Western music. Gladys will supervise the parade, Wendell the posters, and Dennis the program. Bill will talk to Randy about overseeing the dinner with help from Gladys, Judi, and Bill. Gladys will ask Chanda if she will do the children's games or can find someone who will do them. Bill will suggest that Randy check with Garkane about their BBQ trailer.

Mike Nelson's Planning Commission term has ended. We will ask him to stay two to three months longer and more if he can.

Mark asked if there have been any developments on the SITLA issue. Bill has done some work and will talk to Mark later before bringing it before the public. Gladys stated that Brad Shafer (Senator Bennett's office and Governor's Rural Committee) is willing to be involved. Mark suggested the town might send a prepared delegation to the SITLA Board meeting to present our case and petition to the whole board. In response to Brems' request for an update, Bill gave a brief review of the issue.

Judi presented open meetings training to the Council.

Department reports were given. Roads are fine. Gladys read a letter of thanks from Mike Nelson for the use of the building for family play time. Today was their last meeting. She visited with Sergio about the cemetery. Keith Gailey is coming along with his book on the people who are buried there and on a map of who is buried where. He will try to get it onto the computer soon. No building permits were issued this month. The Planning Commission passed their recommendations on the Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances to the Town Council who will have a public hearing and adopt them next week. The Fire Department has new hopes for a truck through a PCIFB grant. Because Randy Catmull paid for a restaurant liquor license which he hasn't received yet, we will not charge him a renewal fee in July.

Bob Brems asked if we have considered creating a cemetery district. Sergio stated that right now we are just considering options. There will be a meeting later to get public input. Gladys gave assurance that there will definitely be some improvements.

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Gladys made a motion the meeting adjourn. Wendell seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Judith Davis, Town Clerk

Approved by Bill Muse, Mayor